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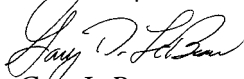
Dear Neighbors,

With new leadership in the General Assembly and in the Governor's office, the 2005 legislative session was filled with new opportunity. Crucial issues were debated with a fresh perspective and many accomplishments resulted.

In particular, we made important improvements in the state's commitment to help cities and towns meet the needs of residents. I have included in this report a chart that details the additional aid provided to South Windsor.

I have also included a short list of some additional issues that were addressed. Because of the space constraints in this report, I'd like to make sure that you know that other more detailed information is available on my website. If you have additional concerns or questions, you can call my office.

Yours truly,



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2005 LEGISLATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS



STATE AID

FOR THE TOWN OF

SOUTH WINDSOR

South Windsor will receive more state aid than last year to assist with school budgets, maintain roads and help pay for other general services.

	FY 04-05	FY 05-06	INCREASE FROM FY 04-05
Aid to Towns for Schools	\$9,956,841	\$10,507,041	\$550,200
Other Municipal Grants	\$391,655	\$449,814	\$58,159
Totals	\$10,348,496	\$10,956,85	\$608,359

Protecting the Environment

- Established a farmland preservation/affordable housing program to create a fund of approximately \$30 million per year for farmland and open space preservation, affordable housing and historic preservation

Defending the Sub Base

- \$10 million is earmarked for infrastructure improvements to increase the strategic military value of the Groton submarine base which was successfully removed from the closure list
- \$1 million has also been set aside to support unique public-private technology partnerships for economic development

Strengthening Ethics in Government

- Created an Office of State Ethics—an independent, stand-alone agency designed to replace the State Ethics Commission and remove politics from the oversight process

State Bonding Projects

Along with the South Windsor delegation, I worked to secure funds for future bonding projects for the Town of South Windsor including:

- \$275,000 for the construction of a connector road and reconstruction of Pleasant Valley Road, Chapel Road and Buckland Road
- \$2,000,000 for boundless playgrounds projects for which a portion has been set aside for South Windsor
- \$500,000 to relocate and renovate the Pinney House in Ellington